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Examining Group Number 3700

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Title:	VESSEL SEALING DEVICES		

AMENDMENT AND REPLY

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Reply is in response to the Final Office Action mailed August 24, 2009 and is filed concurrently with an Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: